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THE DISCHARGED SOLDIER'S HOME,
BY
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

In view of the signal success which has thus far attended the philanthropic enterprise of establishing the "DISCHARGED SOLDIER'S HOME," the Executive Committee would with gratitude recognize the hand of a Beneficent Providence which has guided and sustained the patriotic and Christian efforts of the liberal friends and patrons of this valuable Institution.

The offspring of a noble charity, it seems not inappropriate in this first Report to the members of the Association, briefly to refer to the circumstances which called it into existence, although they were antecedent to the more immediate official connection of your Committee with the administration of its affairs.

In the month of May last, a few discharged Soldiers, "war-worn and weary," and apparently homeless and friendless, were landed on one of the wharves of our city, and excited the sympathy of the generous founders of this Association. The question was proposed, "What can be done to save from want and destitution the brave and self-sacrificing men, who have given their best energies, and hazarded life itself in the sacred cause of defending their country?"

To the mind of a well-known and devoted friend of seamen,*

whose generous impulses are ever found in sympathy with suffering, the thought of establishing a "Temporary Home," suggested itself.

He brought the subject of the destitute condition of the Soldiers to the notice of a benevolent merchant,* who promptly granted the free use of a large warehouse, to be occupied as a Home, and contributed a liberal sum of money besides. Others responded in money and supplies, and the Soldiers were at once provided with shelter, food, and clothing, and the timely ministrations of kind friends, bearing such delicacies as were suggested by Christian sympathy, in response to the touching but silent appeals of the pallid countenances, and emaciated forms of the sick and wounded sufferers.

An organization was soon formed, a constitution and by-laws adopted ; which, after subsequent modification, assumed the present form and character.

On the fourth of July last, the Home was formally inaugurated by religious services ; and interesting and appropriate remarks were made by Rev. Phineas Stowe, Daniel Denny, Esq., and others. The number of inmates which at first was only two, soon increased to forty ; and when it became evident, as the winter months approached, that the peculiar arrangements and location of the building rendered it unsuitable for the purposes for which it was then occupied, application was made to the City Government for the free use of the present commodious building, and also for an appropriation of \$2000, to aid in paying the current expenses, both of which were promptly and nearly unanimously granted, in a generous spirit of liberality in the highest degree commendable.

On the seventh of January last, the inmates of the rooms first occupied, were transferred to the present convenient building. Since then, there have been received into the "Home," three hundred and ninety-nine Soldiers, which added to two hundred and twenty-nine previously received into the rooms first occupied, make the whole number of 628 persons, who have received the benefits of the Institution. Of this

*Daniel Denny, Esq.

number, fifteen have died, four hundred and eighty-three have left, or been discharged, twenty have re-enlisted, in the army, and one hundred and ten now remain. At times, more have applied for admission than could be properly taken care of, and temporary arrangements for their reception has been made elsewhere. Through the assiduous care of the Superintendent and the Matron, seconded by the faithful and regular attention and supervision of the Visiting Committee of the Board, together with the gratuitous and skilful services of the attendant Physicians,* efforts have been made to promote the health and comfort of the inmates, and to make this Institution in reality as well as in name, a Soldier's Home. The value and extent of the gratuitous services of the attendant Physicians already alluded to, and kindly volunteered by them, may be inferred from the fact, that forty persons have at one time been under regular and immediate medical treatment, while nearly the whole number of inmates have required more or less professional advice and care.

A convenient Chapel affords opportunity for stated religious services, which are usually conducted by the Chaplain,† and such other clergymen or laymen as may desire to co-operate. Prayer-meetings are held on Sunday and Tuesday evenings, and Temperance meetings every Friday evening, which are fully attended, and are often of a deeply interesting character. A large proportion of the inmates who remain in the "Home," have signed the temperance pledge. The Chaplain and kind friends visit the bedside of the sick and the dying, to offer Christian consolation and sympathy, in the absence of kindred and loved ones at home.

From the funds contributed, about \$325 have been appropriated to the purchase of material to be made into clothing by the "Ladies' Aid Society." This benevolent and highly efficient Association was formed with especial reference to the wants of the "Home" in its earlier history. About forty of its members meet on Friday of every week, at the rooms of the Home, to sew from ten o'clock, A. M. to six o'clock,

* Dr. James Ayer and Dr. Sheldon.

† Rev. Phineas Stowe.

P. M., receiving also the valuable co-operation and assistance of many ladies in the community as well as those in the immediate neighborhood. Three ladies are appointed weekly to receive those persons who may visit the Institution on Tuesdays and Fridays. A large quantity of clothing has been received from friends, and certain persons have given pieces of goods and various articles which have been made useful through the agency of the ladies. This Society has accomplished a great amount of work the past six months; but there are still willing hands constantly needed to keep the Soldiers neatly and comfortably clad. The Board of this Society, of which Mrs. Col. Day is President, holds a monthly meeting, at which four ladies are appointed for purchasing the necessary materials, to be made up for use.

To the active, cheerful and unremitting efforts of the Ladies' Aid Society, especially in its efficient co-operation in the more complete organization of the "Home," it is largely indebted for its present prosperous and happy condition. It has been visited by several distinguished military officers and civilians, who have uniformly expressed their unqualified commendation as to its appearance and general adaptation to its charitable and humane object.

Your Committee would gratefully acknowledge the generous aid of "Brattle-Street Church," "Church Green Church," in Summer-Street, "Arlington-Street Church," "Chauncy-Street Church," "Old South Church," "Second Church," in Bedford-Street, "New-Jerusalem Society," "Bunker-Hill Soldiers' Relief Society," Ladies of Chelsea, C. M. Galloupe, Esq., Joseph Whiting, Esq., L. H. Shattuck, Esq., and Dr. L. R. Sheldon, each of whom respectively, have furnished a room in a manner worthy of the character of the Institution, and designed to add materially to the comfort and happiness of the Soldiers.

Provisions, supplies, and articles of clothing, comfort, and necessity, have been, from time to time, liberally contributed by a great number of our benevolent fellow-citizens of Boston and

vicinity, estimated in value to amount to several thousands of dollars, and have thus diminished the demands on the pecuniary contributions to meet the current expenses of the Home. These have been duly acknowledged in the newspapers at various dates. According to the Report of the Treasurer, the whole amount of contributions in money have been, \$12,398 69 — and the amount expended has been \$5,874 40, leaving a balance in his hands of \$6,524 29. Notwithstanding the liberal response of the community, and even the spontaneous aid which has been abundantly proffered, your Committee have regarded the Institution as clearly entitled to support from the public treasury, so that charity may be left to provide only for those unfortunate persons, who from the peculiar circumstances of their case, cannot properly, or perhaps promptly enough be reached by means appropriated by legislation. The beneficiaries of the Association, belonging as they do, to different parts of the Commonwealth, if not of other States, have a peculiar claim for aid from either the Federal, State, or City Government. Accordingly a petition, signed by the Officers of the Association, has been presented to the Legislature now in session, for an appropriation supposed to be adequate (in addition to funds already contributed,) to meet the current expenses for one year. The "Committee on Finance," to whom the petition was referred, have reported a Resolve, recommending that \$10,000 be paid from the Treasury of the Commonwealth, provided that an equal amount be raised for the benefit and use of the "Home," by charitable donations from other sources. It is hoped that the Resolve will receive the unanimous vote of the Legislature, and that the past generosity of the public is a reliable guaranty that its condition will be complied with through the same energetic efforts that have hitherto marked the policy of the government and members of this Association.

This Institution has been suddenly created to meet an exigency not yet fully provided for by special law. The resources and energies of the Government of the United States, after a long period of peace having been unexpectedly called

into requisition to subdue a gigantic rebellion, little time has been afforded for establishing permanent military hospitals, or a retreat for the honorably discharged, disabled and homeless Soldiers. But it cannot be presumed that the Government will long allow its heroic defenders to be dependent on public charity in any form, however delicately or cordially it may be extended.

The principle of its own self-preservation alone, to say nothing of the higher consideration of a stimulus to the patriotism of the people by rewarding the soldiers who have sacrificed every thing but life, with a peaceful and comfortable refuge or home, points directly to an early establishment of an asylum, on principles similar to those on which are founded those noted Institutions, the "Hotel des Invalides," in Paris, and the "Chelsea Hospital," in England. The former constructed by order of Louis XIV., was commenced in 1671, and forms one of the most imposing structures in a central and populous part of Paris. It accommodates three thousand five hundred persons, and is governed by a Marshal of France, and subordinate officers. The Chelsea Hospital, founded by Charles II., was completed in 1690, at an expense of £150,000. It is 790 feet in length, and the grounds occupy a space of forty acres. The number of pensioners in this hospital was at one period about 400. The evident necessity which now exists in this country for large Institutions, similar to those already referred to, to be founded by Government, on a plan and principles especially adapted to the character of our people and institutions, clearly indicate, that the "Discharged Soldiers' Home," in this city, is the model only, on a scale far too small, and one which will soon be found, as indeed it already is, inadequate to the proper care of the disabled Soldiers who are likely to be thrown upon the community for support. It must therefore, ultimately give place to another much larger and sufficiently endowed, either by Federal or State Government. Until then, its claim is peculiarly on this Association and on this community for continuous and well directed efforts, to maintain and even improve the high character for usefulness which it has

already attained. Is not this obligation for the present increased by a consideration of the limited demand which has been made by the few hundreds of sick and wounded Soldiers in this city, compared with that of the hospitals of other cities, where there are more than *ten thousand* men receiving the ready sympathy and aid of the citizens of those cities, over and above the provision made for them by the Government.

Indeed, let it rather be regarded as a privilege by those whose peculiar circumstances and duties preclude them from entering into the active military service of the country, to lend their aid to the noble cause in which it is now engaged, by a voluntary appropriation of time and means, in support of the "Discharged Soldier's Home," and kindred objects.

BOSTON, APRIL 6, 1863.



TREASURER'S REPORT

OF

THE DISCHARGED SOLDIER'S HOME.

APRIL 6, 1863.

The Treasurer of the Discharged Soldier's Home, in presenting his first Annual Report, deems it not unimportant briefly to allude to the earlier efforts of its friends to secure Funds for its Treasury. And would recapitulate the successive steps by which, under the guidance of a beneficent Providence, such highly encouraging and gratifying results have already been realized, which enable us to feel assured at this first Annual Meeting of the Association, that the Home now rests on a sound financial basis.

As is well known, and has already been stated in the Executive Committee's Report, the Rev. Phineas Stowe was the originator of the Home. But it may not be so well known that, for the first few months of its existence, it was chiefly through his active exertions and personal solicitations, that the existence, wants, and objects of the Home became known to the citizens of this community; and their confidence in him and interest in the object he represented, secured the needed funds to meet the current expenses of the Home at that period. Afterwards, a gentleman was employed for several months as the financial agent of the Home, to call upon the citizens of Boston and vicinity and solicit funds for its aid. This meas-

ure, although moderately successful, was after a short trial abandoned, and a system for raising funds adopted, more in harmony with the the designs of the Institution, and more successful in its results.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee in December, on motion of one of the ladies, it was resolved that any member of the Committee be hereby authorized personally to solicit and receive funds in aid of the Home. This resolution, embracing as it did the gentlemen on the Committee,—has been, it is believed *practically carried into effect* only by the ladies. The financial results of this resolution, present and prospective, are most important to the welfare and prosperity of the Home, if not to its continued existence; and mark an advanced stage in its history. The assiduity and untiring zeal with which the ladies of the Committee have entered upon and prosecuted the benevolent and patriotic work of soliciting funds for the Home, their high Christian character and social position, and the noble impulses by which they were inspired, secured the confidence of the whole community. The favor with which they were received, and the hearty and generous responses with which their solicitations were met by all classes, prove their appeals for aid to have been most effective and successful.

Rarely, it is believed, in the history of benevolent operations, has an institution so rapidly risen into public favor, and secured the general confidence and support of all classes of the community. How valuable and important have been the labors of the ladies of the Executive Committee, a well filled Treasury to-day will best answer.

The following statistics will show the financial operations of the Association from its organization in July last to the 31st of March, the close of its financial year.

THE DISCHARGED SOLDIER'S HOME,

In account with BENJAMIN BRADLEY, Treasurer.

<i>Dr.</i>	RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.	<i>Cr.</i>
Cash rec'd in Aug.....	\$159 00	Cash paid in Aug.....	\$145 00
" " " Sept.....	851 00	" " " Sept.....	217 19
" " " Oct.....	510 00	" " " Oct.....	201 63
" " " Nov.....	182 60	" " " Nov.....	449 66
" " " Dec.....	1117 86	" " " Dec.....	544 91
" " " Jan.....	3721 37	" " " Jan.....	778 47
" " " Feb.....	2183 19	" " " Feb.....	1170 51
" " " March....	3673 67	" " " March....	2367 03
		Total Expenditures....	5874 40
		Bal. on hand March 31,	6524 29
Total Amount rec'd.	\$12,398 69		\$12,398 69

It should here be stated that the liberal sum of \$2000 donated to the Home by the City of Boston, is included in the January receipts above given.

In addition to the above balance, there remains in the hands of the Assistant Treasurer nearly \$100 of the appropriation made to the Ladies' Society. The amount of supplies now on hand at the Home is estimated at \$100.

The amount of permanent assets at the Home — such as Furniture, Bedsteads, Bedding, Fixtures, Stoves, Kitchen utensils, &c., is estimated at \$5000.

Large amounts of supplies of all kinds have also been from time to time contributed to the Home, the cash value of which it has been difficult to determine.

(Signed) BENJAMIN BRADLEY,
MARCH 31, 1863. *Treasurer.*

The following is a correct copy of the Auditor's Certificate :

Boston April 6, 1863.

"I have examined the foregoing accounts, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

(Signed) MATTHEW BOLLES,
Auditor.

CONSTITUTION

OF

THE DISCHARGED SOLDIER'S HOME.

As the ravages and suffering produced by protracted war are manifested to us by the constant arrival of invalid and indigent soldiers in our city, it has become apparent that there is an immediate need of some provision being made to give to these loyal sufferers, who have so large a claim on our sympathy, the shelter and comfort combined in that expressive word HOME.

We therefore adopt the following plan of organization for the accomplishment of so necessary and desirable an object :—

ARTICLE I.

This Association shall be conducted under the name of
“THE DISCHARGED SOLDIER'S HOME.”

ARTICLE II.

The design of this Institution is to provide a comfortable HOME for such persons, who are in need, as have been honorably discharged from the army of the United States, by reason of their sickness or wounds. The HOME shall be conducted on religious principles ; and all who desire to promote the spiritual welfare of the soldiers, shall have free access to the HOME to propagate the doctrines of the Cross.

ARTICLE III.

Any person may become a member of this Association, for one year, by the payment of one dollar into the treasury ; and any person may become a member for life, by the payment of twenty dollars into its treasury. But all persons who may have become life-members, by the payment of ten dollars before the 15th of December, 1862, shall remain such without any additional payment.

ARTICLE IV.

The officers shall be a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer, an Auditor, an Executive Committee, and a Board of Managers, consisting of fifty gentlemen and fifty ladies, to be chosen at the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE V.

The Executive Committee shall consist of twelve gentlemen and twelve ladies in addition to the President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and the Secretaries, who shall, *ex-officiis*, be members of the Committee.

The Executive Committee shall have the oversight and immediate direction of the HOME, and shall hold meetings at the HOME, at such times as they may approve, as often, at least as once a month. It shall prepare, from time to time, proper regulations for the government of the HOME. It shall appoint all the officers who may be necessary for the proper charge of the HOME, and fix their salaries. It shall appoint sub-committees of its own number, consisting each of at least one gentleman and two ladies, for the immediate superintendence of the HOME. These Committees shall serve for such periods as may be named. The Executive Committee shall have power to fill its own vacancies. Ten members shall make a quorum.

ARTICLE VI.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association, or of the Executive Committee, at which he is present. One of the Vice-Presidents shall preside in his absence.

The Recording Secretary shall keep a separate record of the proceedings of the Society, and of those of the Executive Committee and the Board of Managers. The Corresponding Secretary shall issue the notifications for all meetings, and conduct the correspondence of the Association.

The Treasurer shall keep an account of all receipts and expenditures. He shall pay all bills and accounts, which are approved by the regular sub-committee of visitors, and no others, except by special vote of the Association, or the Executive Committee. He shall exhibit at every Annual Meeting an account current of all receipts and expenditures, duly certified by the Auditor.

The Assistant Treasurer shall keep a list of the annual subscribers; shall collect or receive their subscriptions, as well as any donation, and pay the same to the Treasurer.

ARTICLE VII.

The Board of Managers shall meet quarterly to receive reports from the Executive Committee, and to act as a Board of Advice upon all matters which may be referred to them by the Executive Committee for their opinion.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Association known as the "*Ladies' Aid Society*," shall be auxiliary to this Association, and shall make quarterly reports of its doings to the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE IX.

The Annual Meeting shall be held on the first Monday of April, at which time the Officers shall be elected by ballot. The Executive Committee and Treasurer shall present their reports at this meeting.

The Annual Meeting shall be notified through the newspapers, for three successive days immediately preceding such meeting, in two papers.

Special meetings may be called by direction of the President, or by request in writing (addressed to the Corresponding Secretary) of any five members of the Executive Committee, in the same manner, as is provided for Annual Meetings.

Meetings of the Board of Managers shall be notified by the Corresponding Secretary, by a printed notice addressed to each member.

ARTICLE X.

This Constitution may be amended at any Annual Meeting, or at any Special Meeting called for the purpose, by a vote of a majority of the members of the Association present, notice of any proposed amendment having been given at a previous meeting.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

THE *Home* shall be in charge of a Superintendent and Matron, under the direction of the Executive Committee.

It shall be the duty of the Superintendent to strictly obey and enforce all rules of the House, and, by kindness and judicious treatment, endeavor to secure the comfort and happiness of all the inmates. He shall furnish all provisions and needed supplies required daily for the use of the *House*, and not otherwise provided by the Monthly Visiting Committee. He shall preside at the table, ask a blessing before partaking of each meal, and lead in family prayers, which shall be held every morning and evening, and which every inmate is expected to attend, except in case of sickness. It shall also be his duty to keep a record of names of all persons admitted to the benefits of the *Home*, their birth-place, age, residence, regiment to which they have belonged, length of time they have served, wounds or sickness under which they are suffering when admitted, and also the date of their leaving,—the book to be kept in a tabular form, and to be open at all times for the inspection of the Executive Committee. It shall also be the duty of the Superintendent to faithfully report to the Visiting Committee for each month, all changes which take place, and keep the Committee fully informed of all matters pertaining to the success of the *Home*, or the welfare of its inmates.

ARTICLE II.

The Visiting Committee shall consist of one lady and one gentleman, to be chosen each month, whose duty it shall be to visit the *Home* the first Monday of the month, at three o'clock, P. M., and take general supervision of the same till the first Monday of the following month. They shall make, or authorize to be made, all purchases necessary for conducting the same, and not otherwise provided in the daily expenditure of the Superintendent. The Visiting Committee shall be chosen alphabetically.

ARTICLE III.

It shall be the duty of each Monthly Visiting Committee, on the expiration of such term of service, to require from the Superintendent a correct monthly statement of all outstanding bills and demands existing against the *Home* which he may have contracted,—also to see that proper vouchers are rendered for all moneys by him disbursed during such period, and that the balance of moneys thus represented as remaining on hand from month to month actually exists.

ARTICLE IV.

It shall be the duty of the Matron to see that the food is properly prepared for the sick and for the table, and take charge of all clothing and linen, and have a general supervision of the *House*, that every part may be kept neat and in good order. A general table shall be provided for the inmates, at which all who are able shall attend punctually. The hours of meals shall be, Breakfast at 7 o'clock, from April 1st to October 1st, and at 8 o'clock from October 1st to April 1st; Dinner at 1 o'clock; Tea at 6 o'clock, from April 1st to October 1st, and at 5 o'clock from October 1st to April 1st. Those confined to their rooms by illness will be furnished with suitable food by the Matron, under the direction of the Physician.

ARTICLE V.

The Superintendent is authorized to receive, temporarily, all applicants which he may consider as worthy objects of our

care, *provided* such person or persons have been engaged in the volunteer service, or in the armies of the United States, and who can present to the Superintendent satisfactory evidence of their having been *honorably discharged* from the service of the same, and the name of such person or persons thus temporarily admitted to the benefits of the *Home*, shall be immediately brought to the notice of the Monthly Visiting Committee, or to either member of the same, and, after receiving satisfactory evidence regarding the moral character of the applicant, and also receiving from the Physician of the *Home* a certificate setting forth the nature of the disease or the disability to which the applicant is subject, *may admit* such person or persons, if within the limits of the grant of these premises, and in conformity to the designs of this Institution ; *provided, however*, such person or persons shall first sign the article referring to the House-Rules, thereby obligating themselves to conform to the same, except in case of inability arising from severe sickness on the part of such beneficiary ; in which case, the Visiting Committee, or either member of the same, may admit all worthy applicants, without requiring from them, at such time, the obligation referred to, and otherwise to be enforced on their part, and in case of subsequent ability, should they continue as beneficiaries of this Institution.

ARTICLE VI.

Able-bodied and convalescent inmates may be discharged from the *Home* on the recommendation of the Physician, subject only to the decision of the Monthly Visiting Committee.

ARTICLE VII.

Every inmate will be expected to make himself useful in any way his services may be available, for the benefit of himself or the *Home*, and respond with promptness and willingness to every call made upon him by the Visiting Committee, Physician, Superintendent or Matron. Obedience and proper respect shall at all times be shown by the inmates to every officer and employé of the *House*, and boisterous conversa-

tion, profanity, rude and improper conduct, will subject the person conducting himself in such unbecoming manner to an immediate discharge.

ARTICLE VIII.

No intoxicating drinks or strong stimulants shall be used in the *House*, except by order of the Physician, when it shall be administered by the Superintendent or Matron, or by those having the immediate charge of the sick under their direction.

ARTICLE IX.

No smoking shall be allowed in the *House*, except in the sitting-room, or by special permission from the Physician. Card-playing and gambling of every kind shall be strictly prohibited.

ARTICLE X.

No inmate shall enter the kitchen, Superintendent's, Matron's, or servant's department, except by leave of the Superintendent or Matron; neither shall he interfere with the duties incumbent on those having the charge and management of the *House*.

ARTICLE XI.

It shall be the duty of the Superintendent and Matron to give one month's notice in writing to the Visiting Committee, of their intention to leave the employ of this Association, and one month's notice shall also be given the Superintendent and Matron, in case of any contemplated change on the part of the Executive Committee of the *Home*.

ARTICLE XII.

It shall be the duty of the Assistant Treasurer of the *Home* to pay to the Treasurer of the same, any and all funds now remaining on hand, and that may hereafter be received by her for the benefit of the Institution.

ARTICLE XIII.

The Chairman of the Executive Committee, together with the Auditor, shall constitute a Financial Committee, to invest, from time to time, and for the best interest of the *Home*, such surplus funds as may be in the hands of the Treasurer.

ARTICLE XIV.

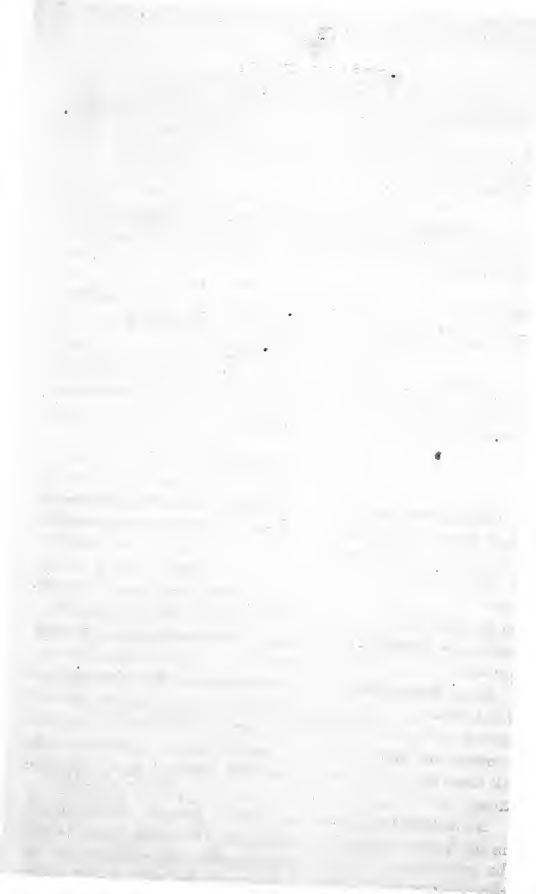
Visitors shall be admitted only on such days and hours as may be designated by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE XV.

The doors shall be closed every night at ten o'clock.

AMENDMENTS.

These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any stated or special meeting of the Association.



RULES OF THE HOUSE.

BREAKFAST—AT 7 O'CLOCK, FROM APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 1.

AT 8 O'CLOCK, FROM OCTOBER 1 TO APRIL 1.

DINNER—AT 1 O'CLOCK.

TEA—AT 6 O'CLOCK, FROM APRIL 1 TO OCTOBER 1.

AT 5 O'CLOCK, FROM OCTOBER 1 TO APRIL 1.

Prompt attendance is required at each Meal on the part of the Inmates.

Family prayers will be held morning and evening, immediately after each meal. Every inmate is expected to attend, except in case of sickness.

The Sabbath will be strictly observed and devoted to the duties appertaining to the day. Divine services will be held in the Chapel at an hour due notice of which will be given; and every inmate of the HOME able to attend, is desired to be present.

Every inmate will be expected to make himself useful for the benefit of the HOME, in any way his services may be required, either by the Visiting Committee, Physician, Superintendent, or Matron. Obedience and proper respect must at all times be shown every officer and employé of the Institution.

No intoxicating drinks or strong stimulants shall be used in the house, except by order of the Physician, when it shall be administered by the Superintendent or Matron, or by those having the immediate charge of the sick, under their direction.

No smoking will be allowed except in the *Sitting Room*, or by special permission from the Physician. Card playing and gambling of every kind are strictly prohibited.

No inmate shall enter the kitchen, Superintendent's, Matron's, or servant's departments, except by leave of the Superintendent or Matron ; neither shall they interfere with the duties incumbent on those having the charge of the same.

Defacing the wood-work or walls of the house, or injury sustained to any portion of the building, or to the furniture belonging to the same, will subject such person to an immediate discharge from the HOME, and who will otherwise be held answerable for such misconduct.

Articles of food and clothing intended for the inmates of the HOME, shall be received only by the Superintendent or Matron, and shall by them be distributed for the general good of the beneficiaries of the Institution.

At a proper hour, gas will be lighted and turned off, by persons having this duty in charge ; and no other inmate will be permitted to interfere in this respect.

The use of matches on the part of the inmates, except in the sitting-room, is strictly forbidden. Hand-lights of every kind will be used only by leave of the Superintendent or Matron.

Cleanliness will be strictly observed in regard to the floors, stairways, and steps of the house.

Visitors will be admitted on Tuesdays and Fr'days only, except by special permission from either member of the Visiting Committee, Physician or Superintendent.

The doors will be closed every night at 10 o'clock.

Per order of the Executive Committee.

SAMUEL B. DEAN, *Superintendent*.

BOSTON, May 1, 1863.

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